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PORTUGUESE ARE INDIGNANT AT CRIME

By the Associated Press.
Lisbon, Dec. 16.—The body of Dr. Salazar, president of Portugal, who was assassinated late on Saturday, was taken to the Bellum palace to await the funeral ceremonies. Meanwhile the Portuguese government is continuing in office under the minister of justice, while both chambers of parliament have been summoned to meet today to discuss jointly the question of a successor to the president.

The whole capital was in mourning today with a deep undercurrent of excitement among military and civilians who are organizing parades in which the marchers called for vengeance for the crime.

President Paes was shot and killed shortly before midnight on Saturday while in a Lisbon railway station. His assassin was killed by the crowd.

SAYS GERMANY MUST PAY ENTENTE'S PRICE

By the Associated Press.
Berlin, Dec. 16.—Discussing President Wilson's trip to Europe Count Ernest von Reventlow, chief editorial writer of the Tages Zeitung says:

"The German people must pay any price, no matter how high the United States names as condition for the resumption of fair positions and relations with the world."

Count von Reventlow believes that Mr. Wilson's consent to the armistice conditions imposed on Germany is found to "prove inescapable to the influence of the United States in Europe and among its associates."

FAIR SKIES ARE PROMISED BY TUESDAY

If it is the weather you have been thinking of lately, it is a subject commanding attention. Sunday was a tolerably good day, but today was the rawest in the history of most people. It was what might be called a melancholy day indeed, and it was hard to realize that behind the clouds the sun's still shining.

The silver lining, however, is promised by the weather bureau by tomorrow, and by Wednesday most of us will have forgot what today is.

Among several hundred things that everybody has to think about the Board force could think of the delivery of the papers this afternoon, and hope that they boys would be all right and ready for their work.

The customers who have been missing the paper will be served again and that the flu situation would continue to improve, if it has been improving in the last few days.

Some days of cold, brisk weather would tend to help the situation locally without doubt. This rain, while it is filling the streams and enabling the power plants to run better now and backing up a head to be used later in place of coal, is hard on people who have to be out in it, and it is not good medicine for colds and flu.

The silver lining will be showing tomorrow and the golden sunshine will banish the indigo of a real blue Monday.

HINT TO RECENT SUPERMAN

Pittsburgh Gazette Times.
They say the kaiser walks out every day and looks at the Rhine. He could save the world a lot of trouble if he would slip on a necktie of millstones some morning and jump in.

COLORED PORTER IS RELEASED FROM JAIL

Walter Perry, the colored porter on the troop train which passed through here Saturday en route to the mountains, was released from the city jail this morning on order of Recorder Pruitt.

A complaint was lodged against Perry by a captain on the train, the officer alleging that the negro was in collusion with another porter in the theft of a hand bag containing about \$500. Neither the railroad nor the Richmond authorities would prosecute, and the Hickory officers discharged Perry and he left this morning.

GLASS NOW HEAD OF TREASURY

By the Associated Press.
Washington, Dec. 16.—Carter Glass was sworn in today as secretary of the treasury in the presence of the Virginia delegation and a group of officials.

The oath was administered by Judge Hays of Virginia of the court of claims, for many years a colleague of Mr. Glass in the house.

SINN FEIN SHOW STRENGTH IN IRISH ELECTIONS

Belfast, Dec. 16.—The feature of Saturday's elections in National Ireland was the strength shown by the Sinn Fein.

It is reported here that Cardinal Logue and Archbishop Walsh both supported the Sinn Fein.

The defeat of John Dillon, the Irish Nationalist leader in East Mayo, is anticipated when the final count is completed. The Sinn Feiners polled a heavy vote in the county and city of Dublin and Cork. In Northwest Ulster the Sinn Feiners will carry the city of Derry, three seats in Donegal and South Fermanagh and Northwest Tyrone.

The Unionists expect to retain all their seats in the North. Joseph Pevlin, National for West Belfast, has been reelected by several thousand votes.

DUTCH WOMEN HARASS FORMER GERMAN PRINCE

Amsterdam, Dec. 16.—A crowd of women from Amsterdam recently went to the island of Wieringen and made a hostile demonstration against the former German Crown Prince, who is interned there according to a report published by the Telegraaf.

Frederick William, it is alleged, saved himself from the hands of the women by flight.

The police force on the island later took action which resulted in a German baron, who was staying at a hotel there, and the Amsterdam women, leaving the island.

BILLIE BURKE AT PASTIME TOMORROW

The program at the Pastime tomorrow will be extraordinarily good. Billie Burke in "Let's Get a Divorce" is the name of the subject to be shown. This is an adaptation of Victorian Sardou's famous play "Divorcees," which was a comedy hit of last season on Broadway. The charming Billie Burke plays the role of an impressionable convent girl who is so full of romance that she starts out in the world to find adventures. She does—and starts off most bravely with an elopement with a young author. That was all right—but—hubby devoted too much time to his work and neglected his pretty wife. Result? She asked him for a divorce, and then when he assented she changed her mind. Why? Come and see for yourself.

RUSSIAN BOLSHEVIST COMES TO GERMANY

By the Associated Press.
Berlin, Dec. 16.—Adolph Joffe, Russian ambassador to Germany who was expelled from Berlin on November 4 because of his activities in advancing the interests of the bolshevik is reported in a Brussels dispatch to have crossed the frontier after bribing members of the soldiers and workmen's council. He is said to be retiring to Berlin for the purpose of attending today's meeting of the soldiers and workmen's conference, in spite of the request of the Ebert government that he remain away.

DRIFTWOOD

Sara Teasdale in the Century.
My forefathers gave me
My spirit's shaken flame,
The shape of hands, the beat of heart,
The letters of my name.

But it was my lovers,
And not my sleeping sires,
Who taught my spirit how to flame
With iridescent fires.

As the driftwood burning
Learned its jeweled blaze
From the sea's blue splendor
Of colored nights and days.

DEATH OF MRS. BOWMAN

Mrs. Blanche Bowman, wife of Mr. O. C. Bowman, died at her home in West Hickory Saturday after an illness with influenza and pneumonia. The funeral was held yesterday from Shiloh Lutheran church, Alexander county, and was conducted by Dr. W. A. Deaton. Mrs. Bowman was about 26 years old, was a splendid young woman and is survived by her husband and three children.

ATTENTION, MASONS

On account of the influenza conditions there will be no communication of Hickory Lodge 343 A. F. and A. M. tonight.

D. L. MILLER,
Senior Warden.

FOUND — Pair gold-rimmed eye glasses, with holder and chain. Apply at Record office. 12 16 3t

RIOTS IN SPAIN CAUSED SOME DEATHS

By the Associated Press.
Madrid, Dec. 16.—Premier Romanones, after a cabinet meeting called to consider outbreaks in Catalonia, has issued a note declaring that the king has been asked to sign a decree suspending parliament. There was a collision Sunday between the police and the crowd after the Socialist-Republican meeting at Varna in favor of the autonomy of Catalonia as a democratic republic. One person was killed and six were injured. Similar trouble occurred in Bilbao, where there was a basque manifestation.

TO CONSOLIDATE TWO CHURCH PAPERS

By the Associated Press.
Goldsboro, N. C., Dec. 16.—Before adjournment today the North Carolina Methodist conference went on record an deploring lynchings and urging the enforcement of the law against the sale of cigarettes to children and urged the general assembly to enact an ouster law. The conference also expressed regrets that cigarettes had so lavishly been given to the soldier boys.

A committee was appointed to look into the question of consolidating the two Methodist newspapers printed in this state.

Wilson was chosen as the next meeting place.

LINCOLNTON OFFICER CHATS WITH KING

Major W. A. Fair of Lincolnton some time ago chatted and shook hands with King George of England. The story was printed in the New York Herald under recent date and forwarded to the Record by Mr. J. P. Miller, Jr., a Hickory boy with Major Fair. It follows:

London, Wednesday.—Another of those happy little incidents that wins the King to the hearts of Americans occurred yesterday at the start of the Royal drive through North London.

At the entrance of Kensington Palace Gardens, where their Majesties changed from an automobile to a horse carriage, a large crowd assembled, and the King and Queen noticed several wounded American officers standing near. They at once engaged in conversation with several of the officers, including Major W. A. Fair, Captain Charles E. Monk and Lieutenant James A. Ridley, all of the 30th American division, who were with the Fourth army on the western front. Their division is known as the "Old Hickory."

"After shaking hands with us," related Major Fair afterwards, "the King said how pleased he was that America had cooperated with the other allies in the great war. 'Not for a moment,' added his Majesty, 'I am in doubt about the issue.' The King is quite a democratic man and he's sure to be popular with everyone."

GOVERNORS MEET IN MARYLAND TODAY

By the Associated Press.
Annapolis, Md., Dec. 16.—Governors from 35 states opened the 10th annual governor's conference today in the hall of the historic Maryland capital, where George Washington resigned his commission as leader of the American armies in 1783.

Standing where Washington stood Governor Harrington of Maryland welcomed the visitors, outlining construction problems to be discussed during the conference, which will continue until Wednesday.

"States must cooperate," the governor said, "in passing laws for social justice."

MRS. PANKHURST MAY GET CABINET PLACE

By the Associated Press.
London, Dec. 14.—Political speculation is chiefly concerned with the reconstruction of the cabinet after the election One rumor credits Premier Lloyd George with favoring the appointment of the first woman minister. The name of Pankhurst is mentioned in this connection.



Oh, Teddy Bear, I'm glad you came,
I like wild animals what's tame.
I'm not afraid to squeeze you tight,
'Cause you won't snarl or snap or bite.
I'll take you with me ev'ry day,
Togezzer we will romp and play.
At night time, too my dearie Ted,
You'll snuggle by me in my bed.
If I am cross, you will not care,
You'll always be my Teddy Bear.

MORE CONFUSION IN HONEYMOON MURDER

By the Associated Press.
Muskegon, Mich., Dec. 16.—Further questioning today of Milo H. Piper, wealthy insurance man, charged with killing Freida Weighman after a short honeymoon, although he had a wife living, was expected to clarify several obscure points since Piper's arrest Saturday at Hamilton, Ont.

Piper was brought here from Hamilton and added to the mystery surrounding the case by declaring his name was used by another man in marrying Miss Weighman. He gave this man's name as "John Sheldon," adding that his objections to the use of his name were silenced by threats of trouble.

Miss Weighman was last heard from by relatives in August, 1916. A few weeks later a body identified as hers only by the clothing was unearthed near railway crossing in Eggleston, Mich.

WHAT IT DOESN'T MEAN

Boston Herald.
Whatever "freedom of the seas" may mean, it will not include the privileges of ordering uncombatants into open boats 1000 miles off shore.

NEW YORK COTTON

By the Associated Press.
New York, Dec. 16.—The cotton market opened steady at an advance of 12 2to 24 points on renewed buying by spot houses and scattered covering. January sold up to 26.60 and March 25.50 shortly after the call, making net gains of about 25 points on the active positions and the buying was encouraged by reports that ocean freight room was being offered at lower rates for January, February and March shipments out of southern ports.

WEATHER FORECAST



For North Carolina: Rain this afternoon and probably tonight. Colder on the coast tonight. Tuesday fair, strong northeast winds diminishing.

COLQUITT WANTS MORE FACTS IN CASE

By the Associated Press.
Washington, Dec. 16.—Chairman Overman of the senate judiciary subcommittee investigating German and brewers' propaganda today received a letter from former Governor Colquitt of Texas asking for details concerning the testimony of A. Bruce Bielaski of the department of justice regarding an alleged conference between George Sylvester Viereck and Mr. Colquitt in 1915. Mr. Colquitt told Senator Overman he did not recall the incident and asked for the date of the reported interview.

BUMPER WHEAT CROP NEXT YEAR

By the Associated Press.
Washington, Dec. 16.—The largest winter wheat crop ever grown in the history of the United States is promised by the enormous acreage sown this fall. The average is almost 16 per cent greater than the crop last year and totals 49,027,000 acres.

A crop of 765,000,000 or 80,000,000 bushels, more than the best record is forecast by the department of agriculture as next year's winter wheat crop, allowing for winter killing and spring abandonment. Last year's crop was 555,725,000 bushels.

Mr. Bethea Hamilton is home from Wake Forest College to spend the holidays.

TWO DEATHS FROM FLU AT CLAREMONT

Claremont, Dec. 17.—Little Creola Yount, the seven year old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Yount, died Wednesday and was laid to rest in Bethlehem cemetery Thursday. The little child had influenza-pneumonia. Creola will be greatly missed in the home, and also by her Sunday school teacher. The family has the sympathy of the whole community.

Several other children have been seriously ill with influenza and pneumonia.

Mrs. Edd Sipe, after a short illness of influenza, died at her home, Thursday and was buried Friday in Bethlehem cemetery beside her little son who died Sunday Dec. 3 with the same disease. The deceased was 28 years of age. Surviving her are her husband and six children, several sisters and brothers, besides a number of friends. We are glad to note the rest of the family is recovering. The family has the community's deepest sympathy.

Rev. J. C. Koeppe is ill at his home with flu. We hope for his speedy recovery.

Mrs. S. A. Hoke is confined to her room with erysipelas. We hope she will soon be able to be out again.

Mrs. Eugene Morrow is recovering from an attack of pneumonia.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. Charlie L. Sigmon, Sunday, December 15, a daughter.

BIG AUCTION SALE SET FOR TOMORROW

The Pinkney Wyant farm of 294 acres 14 miles southeast of Hickory will be sold at auction tomorrow, rain or shine. Mr. Z. B. Buchanan, auctioneer, announced today. Mr. Buchanan had not seen the weather forecast for Tuesday when he said this or when he added that he would go to the scene in a motor boat if no rain when rain prevented the auction, will be held under favorable auspices. All sorts of farms will be sold.

ITALY LOST HEAVILY IN OFFICERS IN WAR

By the Associated Press.
Rome, Saturday, Dec. 14.—During the war the Italian army lost 15,600 officers killed, the minister of war declared in the senate today. More than 30,000 officers were severely wounded.

GERMAN SAILORS PLAN CONTROL OF MARINE

By the Associated Press.
Copenhagen, Dec. 16.—Control of the merchant marine is demanded by a sailors' council formed at Hamburg, according to a Berlin dispatch to the Berlingske Tidende of this city. The council threatens to sink all the ships if its demand is not complied with. The council insists that the financing be borne by the ship owners.

TEMPTING McADOO PROPOSAL

Springfield Republican.
Mr. McAdoo's recommendation that the period of government control of the railroads be extended to January 1, 1924, will be antagonized by those who desire above all to prevent the adoption of a permanent government ownership policy. The railroad situation is not unlikely that that of the government during the occupation of Cuba. The flag waved over the island; who would "dare to haul it down?" It was perfectly clear that if the American occupation were to continue indefinitely, Cuba would never be set free. The sooner the United States got out of Cuba, therefore, the more likely it would be to keep its pledges.

Let us be frank about the railroads. If the period of government control is to be extended, the chances will be greatly diminished that they will ever be returned to their private owners and managers on any basis whatever. Mr. McAdoo argues very forcibly perhaps unanswerably, his side of the case, yet those who are uncompromisingly hostile to government ownership cannot listen favorably to his proposal without virtual surrender. If the extreme opponents of the nationalization of the railroads are not to lose their fight at the outset they will not risk the state of the public mind five years from now, when half the people would have forgotten that the railroads ever had private management. The only way to haul down the flag is to haul it down.

Yet one cannot be sure that the McAdoo suggestion will not be followed by congress. It is not impossible that it may have to be followed. Perhaps another course satisfactory to railroad interests and the public alike will be recommended by the committee of railroad presidents now studying the question, but there is a large coterie of investors pretty sure to follow Mr. McAdoo's lead for the sake of the dividends and interest payments guaranteed by the government for the five year period, and also for the sake of the use of the government's credit in thoroughly rehabilitating the physical plant of the carriers. These investors may be joined by some of the railroad executives who appreciate the serious damage to the railroads possibly involved in the early return of the roads to private management. In congress itself, doubtless, there will be an increasing number of members in both parties only too glad to evade the issue by postponing it, as time emphasizes the difficulty and complexity of the problem. To such congressmen the McAdoo proposal will be particularly tempting.

If the public service to be rendered by the railroads in the next five years is alone to be considered, very likely congress should follow the director general's advice. Peace has come before the railroad administration could put through its program of railroad improvements. Under the terms of the railroad control act, the railroads must be given back as good physical condition as they were on December 28, 1917. During the past year it has been impossible to maintain the roads as they were in peace times. Rail renewals in 1918 have been only about 40 per cent of normal for very good reasons. Labor on railroads have been scarce and the steel plants have been making shells, while the rails they made were largely sent to France. Maintenance work chargeable to operation account is way behind, while the 1919 program of improvements, chargeable to capital account, to be paid for by the corporations, amounts to \$900,000,000.

"Prices are so high that the cost of rehabilitation and improvement in the next year or two would be a heavy drain on the corporations and they would surely protest against being saddled with the enormous expense. Mr. McAdoo is correct in saying that in this work it would be impossible to secure the hearty cooperation of the railroad corporations." Under the present law, conflicts are unavoidable, as in the case of improvements calculable to the public but inconsistent with the interests of one railroad as a future competitor of another railroad. It follows that the railroads should be returned to their owners at once if the government is to be relieved of a heavy burden and probably endless litigation under the present law. If the roads are soon returned they will go back in many cases in substantially as good repair and in substantially as complete equipment as they were when taken over by the government; and failure to meet that requirement of the law would have to be made good by cash payments.

If government ownership is out of the question, the best course is evidently to return the roads at once and make cash payments in compensation for failure to keep up the properties, provided congress can promptly work out the permanent system under which the American railroads are to be organized and managed. But what prospect is there that congress may be equal to such a task? There is no prospect at all. Virtually nothing is expected of congress at this session, and not even the railroad executives themselves are prepared with a

GREAT BLUNDER, SAYS ROYAL LADY

By the Associated Press.
Geneva, Sunday, Dec. 15.—Germany made a great blunder in entering the war and should admit she was in the wrong, declared the grand duchess of Anstasie of Mecklenburg-Schwerin, mother of the former German crown prince, in an interview today. The grand duchess, who is a Russian and is a cousin of the emperor came to Geneva at the outbreak of the war.

She had many relatives fighting against one another on all fronts. The correspondent was the first newspaper man she had talked with since the beginning of the war. Replying to a question about the former emperor, she said specifically: "There is a splendid maxim in your max.b, 'Don't hit a man when he is down.' Let us preserve this sporting principle, during our conversation."

NEGRO IS LYNCHED BY KENTUCKY MOB

By the Associated Press.
Hickman, Ky., Dec. 16.—Charles Lewis, a discharged negro soldier who is alleged to have beaten up Deputy Sheriff Thomas when the latter attempted to arrest him yesterday, was hanged by a mob of masked men at Tyler station near here early today. Lewis is said to have refused to arrest, asserting that his uniform protected him from arrest by civil officers.

He was charged with having held up and robbed several negroes.

FORMER KAISER WON'T LEAVE HOLLAND

By the Associated Press.
Amsterdam, Dec. 16.—William Hohenzollern, the former German emperor, the Telegraaf says it understands, has refused to leave Holland after official representations had been made that his continued presence was likely to involve the country into serious difficulties.

EGGS

Eggs are retailing at various prices—60 cents here, 75 cents in Raleigh, 80 cents in Atlanta and \$2.20 in Alaska, where they are exchanged for gold nuggets. It is said on authority that Hickory people who have a flock of hens that are operating pile the eggs in a cut glass bowl, place the bowl on the hall table and use the eggs for a decoration, just like you would American Beauty roses or orchids.

When the mail man comes to the door, he looks in and sees the beautiful eggs. "How lovely," quoth he, it is said, and he goes away and tells other folks that So-and-So's got a lot o' fine eggs. At night the eggs are placed under lock and key, the Record is told.

It also is said to be fashionable to come down street in the morning with signs of eggs on your vest—at least on your chin. In Baltimore, according to a letter received by the Record from a friend, they can't do that any longer—men have been knocked down and robbed on suspicion for leaving traces of egg breakfast on their chins and in the corners of their mouths.

A fellow told the Record reported today that his hens laid 40 eggs Sunday, another said he counted 15 cents and still another 65 cents.

POLAND NOW READY TO FIGHT GERMANY

By the Associated Press.
Amsterdam, Dec. 16.—Poland has severed relations with Germany, according to a telegram received in Berlin from Warsaw.

matured plant for the restoration of the roads. Few people will tolerate restoration of the roads with restoration of the old conditions of quasi-competition and multiple federal and state regulation. It is this unpreparedness of the railroad world for peace that gives the McAdoo proposal its strength and may force its adoption.